

SCHEDULE of United States Fishing Vessels to which Licenses were Issued—*Concluded.*

Name of Vessel.	Port of Registry.	Tonnage.	Port of Issue.	Fee.
Oliver Eldridge.....	Gloucester "	48	Yarmouth, N.S.....	72 00
Annie G. Quiner.....	Bucksport "	79	St. Peters, N. S.....	118 50
Orpheus.....	Gloucester "	74	Lockeport, N. S.....	111 00
Levanter.....	Salem, Mass.....	28	Yarmouth, N.S.....	42 00
Winona.....	Gloucester, Mass.....	68	Amherst, M.I., Que.....	117 00
Howard Holbrook.....	"	78	Port Hawkesbury, N.S.....	102 00
John Smith.....	"	44	"	66 00
Martha Jane.....	"	16	Alberton, P.E.I.....	24 00
Epea Tarr.....	"	48	Souris, P.E.I.....	72 00
Elenora.....	"	62	Canso, N.S.....	93 00
Lizzie M. Stanwood.....	"	76	"	114 00
Emma M. Dyr.....	"	54	Arichat, N.S.....	81 00
Reporter.....	"	60	Souris, N.S.....	90 00
Richard Lester.....	"	47	Port Hastings, N. S.....	70 50
Mariner.....	"	78	Canso, N. S.....	117 00
Ralph E. Eaton.....	Gloucester, Mass.....	47	Port Mulgrave, N.S.....	70 50
Florence.....	"	63	Canso, N.S.....	94 50
Oresa.....	"	58	"	87 00
M. H. Perkins.....	"	50	Port Hawkesbury, N.S.....	75 00
Ellen F. Gleason.....	"	42	Canso, N.S.....	63 00
Edward A. Rich.....	"	58	"	87 00
Loring B. Haskell.....	"	67	Souris, P.E.I.....	100 50
Nereid.....	"	70	Canso, N.S.....	105 00
Procyon.....	"	85	"	127 50
Boyd & Leeds.....	Beverly, Mass.....	37	Barrington, N. S.....	55 50
E. C. Hussey.....	"	42	"	63 00
S. L. Foster.....	S. W. Harbour, Me.....	44	Liverpool, N.S.....	66 00
Norman Fisher.....	Gloucester, Mass.....	51	Canso, N.S.....	76 50
Oliver F. Kilham.....	Salem, Mass.....	44	Liverpool, N.S.....	66 00
Anna L. Sunborn.....	"	17	Yarmouth, N.S.....	25 50
Total 79 vessels.....		5,316	Total.....	\$7,974 00

It will be noticed that there are nearly double as many licenses as in 1897. I put this down to the scarcity of bait on the United States coasts; there is no doubt in my mind that the procuring of bait and shipping of men are by far the most important items included in the license, after that the transhipment of cargo. As regards buying provisions, stores, &c., I think it would greatly assist our merchants and others in the small coast towns if this were to be allowed. However, no doubt all these highly important details are being taken into consideration by the Joint High Commissioners.

The following is a statement of the number of licenses issued since 1888:—

1888.....	36
1889.....	78
1890.....	119
1891.....	98
1892.....	108
1893.....	71
1894.....	53
1895.....	47
1896.....	77
1897.....	40
1898.....	79